UNIT ZERO (ROOM 0)

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Genre: Existential Horror / Surrealist Thriller | **Format:** Short Film (approx. 15-20 minutes) | **Scope:** Single Location / High-Concept

LOGLINE

Trapped in a limbo of missed opportunities, a young man discovers a hidden door that opens not to a room, but to infinite "What-Ifs"—only to realize that his search for a better life is a journey toward the terrifying truth of his own death.

SYNOPSIS

Adrien, 28, discovers a spatial anomaly in a decaying apartment: **Unit 0**, a "Purgatory of Regrets" outside physical laws. As he enters fragmented realities of the lives he could have led, each journey strips away a piece of his soul. The terrifying truth surfaces—Adrien isn't choosing between lives; he is a ghost reliving the split-second "What-ifs" of a fatal accident. He must choose between haunting delusions or the quiet acceptance of non-existence.

VISION & EXECUTION

- **Visuals:** Contrast between **Macabre Reality** (muted yellows) and **Hyper-Real Dreams** (warm lighting).
- **Cinematography: Möbius Strip movement**—continuous takes that loop to create inescapable fate.
- **Sound:** A "warped" auditory experience with rhythmic clock-ticking as a secondary protagonist.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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